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Response

Applicant: George Bradley Hobbs

Serial No.: 09/734,295

Filed: December 11, 2000

Docket No.: 10003974-1

Title: PRINT PROCESSING SYSTEM AND METHOD WITH PRINT JOB ADVERTISING**REMARKS**

The following Remarks are made in response to the Non-Final Office Action mailed September 22, 2006, in which claims 11-21 and 24-32 were rejected.

Claims 11-21 and 24-32 remain pending in the application and are presented for reconsideration and allowance.

Claim Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 102

Claims 11-21 and 24-32 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Dutta US Patent No. 6,891,635.

The earliest effective date of the Dutta U.S. Patent No. 6,891,635 is November 30, 2000 which is prior to the filing date of December 11, 2000 of the present patent application. Accompanying this Response is a Declaration of Prior Invention under 37 C.F.R. 1.131 to establish conception of the subject matter of the present patent application prior to the earliest effective date of November 30, 2000 of the Dutta U.S. Patent No. 6,891,635 coupled with due diligence from prior to the earliest effective date of the Dutta patent up to the filing date of the present patent application (i.e., constructive reduction to practice). Applicant, therefore, respectfully requests consideration of the Declaration of Prior Invention under 37 C.F.R. 1.131.

In view of the above, Applicant submits that the Dutta U.S. Patent No. 6,891,635 does not qualify as a reference under 35 U.S.C. 102(e). Applicant, therefore, respectfully requests that the rejection of claims 11-21 and 24-32 under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) be reconsidered and withdrawn and that claims 11-21 and 24-32 be allowed.

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In view of the above, Applicant respectfully submits that pending claims 11-21 and 24-32 are all in a condition for allowance and requests reconsideration of the application and allowance of all pending claims.

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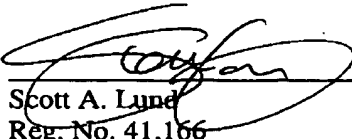
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